

It is my free choice as an American to subscribe to XM Satellite radio. I have made this consumer choice because of the variety and quality of programming content XM radio offers. I live in the Los Angeles area and frequently make trips of 30 minutes, or less. Before I got XM radio I would listen to Los Angeles area FM or AM stations and often hear commercial advertisements for 20 of the 30 minutes of a typical drive. That is NOT entertainment nor is it programming content of any use to me. Rather, it is a misuse of the airways in my view.

XM Satellite radio gives me a lot of music choices free of commercials. Also, when we travel to remote areas of California, we can still listen to our same familiar channel. The technology of the 21st Century makes that possible. Don't discourage it because of a bunch of money hungry 20th Century commercial-laden terrestrial broadcasters.

The fact that XM now offers local traffic reports is wonderful, too. Before I had to wait up to 15 minutes to receive a commercial-laden, often inaccurate, traffic report from the local Los Angeles AM stations. Most of the local FM stations don't even have traffic reports. Traffic reporting is an important service in a place like Southern California. Don't take it away from my XM Radio!!